

2019 COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS ASSESSMENT

BENTON AND FRANKLIN
COUNTIES
JULY 2019



The Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) is a systematic and shared process for identifying and analyzing community needs and assets. The CHNA helps determine which critical health needs the community will focus on changing for the next 3-5 years.

Began work in March 2019

Reviewed 120+ data points

Conducted 16 stakeholder interviews with 40 participants

Conducted 10 focus groups with 96 community members

TOP THREE HEALTH RELATED NEEDS

Benton Franklin Community Health Alliance members, additional community partners, and interested stakeholders were invited to a planning session to help select the top health-related needs of the community. The over 50 community partners in attendance included stakeholders from all four local healthcare systems, public health, emergency responders, behavioral health, student nursing programs, local chambers, long term care facilities, and other service oriented community based organizations. Those in attendance participated in structured, facilitated activities to review the data and organize them into overarching categories. The group then prioritized those categories and identified the top three health-related needs for the community.



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CHALLENGES

Mental health
Substance use disorder
Suicide



ACCESS AND COST OF ALL HEALTHCARE

Provider to population ratios
Timeliness and provider availability
Cost of care, even with insurance



SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

Poverty
Housing and homelessness
Food insecurity